

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An image processing method, comprising:

supplying, to an image processing device, image data produced by ~~an image-producing device~~ a camera which is separate from the image processing device, and image production record information related to the image data, the image production record information being produced by the ~~image-producing device~~ camera, the image production record information including at least subject area information representing a subject area in an image; and

under control of the image processing device, determining whether or not the subject area will be cut by a trimming process for trimming the image data;

if the subject area will not be cut by the trimming process, executing the trimming process; and

if the subject area will be cut by the trimming process, reducing a size of the image represented by the image data without executing the trimming process

~~executing a trimming process upon determining whether or not to trim the image data based on the image production record information produced by the image-producing device,~~

~~wherein the image production record information includes at least subject area information representing a subject area in an image; and~~

~~the trimming process is terminated in case the subject area will be cut as a result of the trimming.~~

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): An image processing method according to claim 1, wherein

the image production record information includes at least exposure program information and photograph scene information, and

the trimming process is executed in case the exposure program information and photograph scene information meet specific conditions.

Claim 3 (Original): An image processing method according to claim 2, wherein
the specific conditions include selection of a normal program which is set as default
for the exposure program information, and selection of a standard scene which is set as
default for the photograph scene information.

Claim 4 (Canceled).

Claim 5 (Original): An image processing method according to claim 1, wherein
the trimming process is a process in which an image is enlarged or reduced, while
preserving an aspect ratio, to a size encompassing a designated image output size, and
portions extending outside the image output size are cut off.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): An ~~image processing~~ image processing device for
processing an image using image data produced by ~~an image producing device~~ a camera
which is separate from the image processing device, and image production record information
related to the image data, the image production record information including at least subject
area information representing a subject area in an image, the image processing device
comprising:

an image data processor that determines whether or not the subject area will be cut by
a trimming process for trimming the image data, that executes the trimming process if the
subject area will not be cut by the trimming process, and that reduces a size of the image
represented by the image data without executing the trimming process if the subject area will
be cut by the trimming process

~~executes a trimming process upon determining whether or not to trim the image data~~
~~based on the image production record information produced by the image producing device,~~
~~wherein the image production record information includes at least subject area~~
~~information representing a subject area in an image, and~~

~~the trimming process is terminated in case the subject area will be cut as a result of the~~
~~trimming.~~

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): An output device for outputting an image using image data produced by ~~an image producing device~~ a camera which is separate from ~~the~~ an image processing device, and image production record information related to the image data, the image production record information including at least subject area information representing a subject area in an image, the output device comprising:

an image information processor that determines whether or not the subject area will be cut by a trimming process for trimming the image data, that executes the trimming process if the subject area will not be cut by the trimming process, and that reduces a size of the image represented by the image data without executing the trimming process if the subject area will be cut by the trimming process ~~executes a trimming process upon determining whether or not to trim the image data based on the image production record information produced by the image producing device;~~ and

an image output unit that outputs an image according to the image data processed by the image information processor [.,.]

~~wherein the image production record information includes at least subject area information representing a subject area in an image, and~~

~~the trimming process is terminated in case the subject area will be cut as a result of the trimming.~~

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A computer program product for executing an image process using image data produced by ~~an image producing device~~ a camera which is separate from ~~the~~ an image processing device, and image production record information related to the image data, the image production record information including at least subject area information representing a subject area in an image, the computer program product comprising:

a computer-readable storage medium; and

a computer program stored on the computer-readable storage medium, the computer program including a program for causing a computer to determine whether or not the subject area will be cut by a trimming process for trimming the image data, to execute the trimming process if the subject area will not be cut by the trimming process, and to reduce a size of the image represented by the image data without executing the trimming process if the subject area will be cut by the trimming process

~~run a trimming process upon determining whether or not to trim the image data based on the image production record information produced by the image producing device,~~

~~wherein the image production record information includes at least subject area information representing a subject area in an image, and~~

~~the trimming process is terminated in case the subject area will be cut as result of trimming.~~

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): An image processing method, comprising:

providing image data produced by ~~an image producing device~~ a camera, and subject area position information related to the image data, the subject area position information representing a subject area in the image; and

executing a trimming process on the image data upon determining whether or not to execute the trimming process based on the subject area position information.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): An image processing device for processing an image using image data and subject area position information related to the image data, the subject area position information representing a position of a subject area in the image, the image processing device comprising:

an image data processor for executing a trimming process on the image data upon determining whether or not to execute the trimming process based on the subject area position information.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): A computer program product for processing an image using image data and subject area position information related to the image data, the subject area position information representing a position of a subject area in the image, the computer program product comprising:

a computer-readable medium; and

a computer program stored on the computer-readable medium, the computer program including a program for causing a computer to run a trimming process on the image data upon determining whether or not to execute the trimming process based on the subject area position information.